

United States. Inquiry into methods of improving our roads has been active during the year; help has been given to many localities, and scientific investigation of material in the States and Territories has been inaugurated. Irrigation problems in our semi-arid regions are receiving careful and increased consideration.

An extensive exhibit at Paris of the products of agriculture has made the peoples of many countries more familiar with the varied products of our fields and their comparative excellence.

The collection of statistics regarding our crops is being improved and sources of information are being enlarged, to the end that producers may have the earliest advices regarding crop conditions. There has never been a time when those for whom it was established have shown more appreciation of the services of the Department.

In my annual message of December 5, 1898, I called attention to the necessity for some amendment of the alien-contract law. There still remain important features of the rightful application of the eight-hour law for the benefit of labor and of the principle of arbitration, and I again commend these subjects to the careful attention of the Congress.

That there may be secured the best service possible in the Philippine Islands, I have issued, under date of November 30, 1900, the following order:

"The United States Civil Service Commission is directed to render such assistance as may be practicable to the Civil Service Board, created under the act of the United States Philippine Commission, for the establishment and maintenance of an honest and efficient civil service in the Philippine Islands, and for that purpose to conduct examinations for the civil service of the Philippine Islands upon the request of the Civil Service Board of said islands, under such regulations as may be agreed upon by the said Board and the said United States Civil Service Commission."

The Civil Service Commission is greatly embarrassed in its work for want of an adequate permanent force for clerical and other assistance. Its needs are fully set forth in its report. I invite attention to the report, and especially urge upon the Congress that this important bureau of the public service, which passes upon the qualifications and character of so large a number of the officers and employees of the Government, should be supported by all needed appropriations to secure promptness and efficiency.

I am very much impressed with the statement made by the heads of all the Departments of the urgent necessity of a hall of public records. In every departmental building in Washington, so far as I am informed, the space for official records is not only exhausted, but the walls of rooms are lined with shelves, the middle floor space of many rooms is filled with file cases, and garrets and basements, which were never intended and are unfitted for their accommodation, are crowded with them. Aside from the inconvenience, there is great danger, not only from fire, but from the weight of these records upon timbers not intended for their support. There should be a separate building especially designed for the purpose of receiving and preserving the annually accumulating archives of the several Executive Departments. Such a hall need not be a costly structure, but should be so arranged as to admit of enlargement from time to time. I urgently recommend that the Congress take early action in this matter.

I transmit to the Congress a resolution adopted at a recent meeting of the American Bar Association concerning the proposed celebration of John Marshall Day, February 4, 1901. Fitting exercises have been arranged, and it is earnestly desired by the committee that the Congress may participate in this movement to honor the memory of the great jurist.

The transfer of the Government to this city is a fact of great historical interest. Among the people there is a feeling of genuine pride in the Capital of the Republic.

It is a matter of interest in this connection that in 1800 the population of the District of Columbia was 14,093; to-day it is 278,718. The population of the city of Washington was then 3,210; to-day it is 218,196.

The Congress having provided for "an appropriate national celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of the Establishment of the Seat of Government in the District of Columbia," the committees authorized by it have prepared a programme for the 12th of December, 1900, which date has been selected as the anniversary day. Deep interest has been shown in the arrangements for the celebration by the members of the committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, the committee of Governors appointed by the President, and the committees appointed by the citizens and inhabitants of the District of Columbia generally. The programme, in addition to a reception and other exercises at the Executive Mansion, provides commemorative exercises to be held jointly by the Senate and House of Representatives in the Hall of the House of Representatives, and a reception in the evening at the Corcoran Gallery of Art in honor of the governors of the States and Territories.

In our great prosperity we must guard against the danger it invites of extravagance in Government expenditures and appropriations; and the chosen representatives of the people will, I

doubt not, furnish an example in their legislation of that wise economy which in a season of plenty husbands for the future. In this era of great business activity and opportunity caution is not untimely. It will not abate, but strengthen, confidence. It will not retard, but promote, legitimate industrial and commercial expansion. Our growing power brings with it temptations and perils requiring constant vigilance to avoid. It must not be used to invite conflicts, nor for oppression, but for the more effective maintenance of those principles of equality and justice upon which our institutions and happiness depend. Let us keep always in mind that the foundation of our Government is liberty; its superstructure peace.

WILLIAM McKINLEY.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, December 3, 1900.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. In the absence of objection, the message, with the accompanying papers, will be laid upon the table and printed for the use of the Senate.

DEATH OF SENATORS GEAR AND DAVIS.

Mr. ALLISON. Mr. President, it is with deep regret and profound sorrow that I announce to the Senate the death of my late colleague, Hon. JOHN HENRY GEAR, which occurred in this city on the 14th day of July last. At some future time, of which I shall give due notice, I desire to afford the Senate an opportunity of paying tribute to the memory of Senator GEAR and his long and distinguished services to his State and his country. At this time I beg leave to offer the resolutions which I send to the desk, and for which I ask immediate consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The resolutions submitted by the Senator from Iowa will be read.

The Secretary read the resolutions, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Senate has heard with deep regret and profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. JOHN HENRY GEAR, late a Senator from the State of Iowa.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary communicate a copy of these resolutions to the House of Representatives.

The resolutions were considered by unanimous consent, and unanimously agreed to.

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, it is my sad duty to announce to the Senate the death of my late colleague, Senator CUSHMAN K. DAVIS, at his home in St. Paul, Minn., on the 27th of November last, at 9 o'clock in the evening, after a lingering illness of more than two months. In his death our nation has lost one of its foremost public servants and Minnesota one of the noblest and best of her sons.

On some future occasion I shall ask the Senate to set aside a day for the consideration of tributes to the memory of my deceased colleague. On this occasion I offer the resolutions which I send to the desk, and ask for their immediate consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The resolutions submitted by the Senator from Minnesota will be read.

The Secretary read the resolutions, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Senate has heard with deep regret and profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. CUSHMAN KELLOGG DAVIS, late a Senator from the State of Minnesota.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary communicate a copy of these resolutions to the House of Representatives.

The resolutions were considered by unanimous consent, and unanimously agreed to.

Mr. ALLISON. Mr. President, I offer an additional resolution, which I ask to have read and considered at this time.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The resolution submitted by the Senator from Iowa will be read.

The Secretary read the resolution, as follows:

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, Hon. JOHN HENRY GEAR and Hon. CUSHMAN KELLOGG DAVIS, the Senate do now adjourn.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to; and (at 3 o'clock and 46 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, December 4, 1900, at 12 o'clock meridian.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, December 3, 1900.

This being the day designated by the Constitution, the members of the House of Representatives assembled in their Hall for the second session of the Fifty-sixth Congress.

At 12 o'clock noon, the Speaker, Hon. DAVID B. HENDERSON, a Representative from the State of Iowa, called the House to order.

The Chaplain, Rev. HENRY N. COUDEN, offered the following prayer:

Infinite Spirit, God over all, through whose eternal energy all things proceed, and by whose infinite power all things at last must fulfill their appointed destiny, humbly and most reverently we bow before Thee.

Let Thy blessings descend upon us and so move upon the hearts of these Thy servants, that all the legislative acts of this session of Congress may be in accordance with Thy will. To this end encourage every noble endeavor and discourage all unworthiness.

Rule Thou in the hearts of our rulers, that the genius of our nation may more and more obtain. Bless every skill and worthy industry throughout our land, every school and college; strengthen the ties of fraternity and make Christian patriots of us all.

That in the great things of life we may grow greater, deepen Thou our sense of responsibility and our consciousness of wrong so that justice and truth and right may ever be the glory of our Union.

Since last we met Thou hast called two of our members to their homes above. Bless, we pray Thee, their colleagues and friends; comfort their dear ones with the hope of immortality.

And Thine shall be the praise through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### CALL OF THE ROLL.

In accordance with the direction of the Speaker, the roll of members was then called, by States, when the following responded present:

#### ALABAMA.

George W. Taylor. John H. Bankhead.  
Henry D. Clayton. Oscar W. Underwood.  
William F. Aldrich.

#### ARKANSAS.

Philip D. McCulloch. William L. Terry.  
John S. Little. Stephen Brundidge, jr.

#### CALIFORNIA.

Victor H. Metcalf. Eugene F. Loud.  
Julius Kahn. James Carson Needham.

#### COLORADO.

John F. Shafroth. John C. Bell.

#### CONNECTICUT.

E. Stevens Henry. Ebenezer J. Hill.  
Charles A. Russell.

#### FLORIDA.

Stephen M. Sparkman. Robert W. Davis.

#### GEORGIA.

Rufus E. Lester. John W. Maddox.  
James M. Griggs. William M. Howard.  
Elijah B. Lewis. Farish Carter Tate.  
William C. Adamson. William H. Fleming.  
Leonidas F. Livingston. William G. Brantley.

#### ILLINOIS.

James R. Mann. Benjamin F. Marsh.  
William Lorimer. William E. Williams.  
Henry S. Boutell. Ben F. Caldwell.  
George E. Foss. Thomas M. Jett.  
Robert R. Hitt. James R. Williams.  
George W. Prince. William A. Rodenberg.  
Joseph G. Cannon. George W. Smith.  
Joseph V. Graff.

#### INDIANA.

James A. Hemenway. George W. Cromer.  
William T. Zenor. Charles B. Landis.  
Francis M. Griffith. Edgar D. Crumpacker.  
George W. Faris. George W. Steele.  
James E. Watson. James M. Robinson.  
Jesse Overstreet.

#### IOWA.

Thomas Hedge. John F. Lacey.  
Joe R. Lane. John A. T. Hull.  
David B. Henderson. William P. Hepburn.  
Gilbert N. Haugen. Lot Thomas.  
Robert G. Cousins.

#### KANSAS.

Willis J. Bailey (at large). William A. Reeder.  
Justin D. Bowersock. Chester I. Long.  
James M. Miller.

#### KENTUCKY.

Charles K. Wheeler. June W. Gayle.  
Henry D. Allen. George G. Gilbert.  
John S. Rhea. Samuel J. Pugh.  
David H. Smith. Thomas Y. Fitzpatrick.  
Oscar Turner. Vincent Boreing.  
Albert S. Berry.

#### LOUISIANA.

Adolph Meyer. Phanor Breazeale.  
Robert C. Davey. Joseph E. Ransdell.

#### MAINE.

Amos L. Allen. Edwin C. Burleigh.  
Chas. E. Littlefield.

#### MARYLAND.

William B. Baker. Sydney E. Mudd.  
Frank C. Wachter. George A. Pearre.  
James W. Denny.

#### MASSACHUSETTS.

George P. Lawrence. John F. Fitzgerald.  
Frederick H. Gillett. Henry F. Naphen.  
John R. Thayer. Charles F. Sprague.  
William H. Moody. William C. Lovering.  
Ernest W. Roberts. William S. Greene.  
Samuel W. McCall.

#### MICHIGAN.

John B. Corliss. Edgar Weeks.  
Henry C. Smith. Joseph W. Fordney.  
Washington Gardner. Roswell P. Bishop.  
Edward L. Hamilton. Rosseau O. Crump.  
William Alden Smith. William S. Mesick.  
Samuel W. Smith. Carlos D. Shelden.

#### MINNESOTA.

James A. Tawney. Joel P. Heatwole.  
James T. McCleary.

#### MISSISSIPPI.

John M. Allen. Andrew F. Fox.  
Thomas Spight. Frank A. McLain.  
Thomas C. Catchings. Patrick Henry.

#### MISSOURI.

James T. Lloyd. Champ Clark.  
William W. Rucker. Richard Bartholdt.  
John Dougherty. Charles F. Joy.  
William S. Cowherd. Charles E. Pearce.  
David A. De Armond. Willard D. Vandiver.  
James Cooney. Maecenas E. Benton.

#### NEBRASKA.

Elmer J. Burkett. William L. Stark.  
David H. Mercer. Roderick D. Sutherland.  
John S. Robinson. William Neville.

#### NEVADA.

Francis G. Newlands.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Cyrus A. Sulloway.

#### NEW JERSEY.

Henry C. Loudenslager. James F. Stewart.  
John J. Gardner. Richard Wayne Parker.  
Benjamin F. Howell. Charles N. Fowler.  
Joshua S. Salmon.

#### NEW YORK.

Townsend Scudder. Arthur S. Tompkins.  
John J. Fitzgerald. John H. Ketcham.  
Edmund H. Driggs. Aaron V. S. Cochrane.  
Bertram T. Clayton. John K. Stewart.  
Frank E. Wilson. Louis W. Emerson.  
Mitchell May. George W. Ray.  
Daniel J. Riordan. Michael E. Driscoll.  
Amos J. Cummings. Sereno E. Payne.  
William Sulzer. Charles W. Gillet.  
George B. McClellan. James W. Wadsworth.  
Jefferson M. Levy. James M. E. O'Grady.  
William Astor Chanler. William H. Ryan.  
Jacob Ruppert, jr. De Alva S. Alexander.  
John Q. Underhill. Edward B. Freeland.

#### NORTH CAROLINA.

George H. White. John D. Bellamy.  
Charles R. Thomas. Romulus Z. Linney.  
John W. Atwater. Richmond Pearson.  
William W. Kitchin.

#### NORTH DAKOTA.

Burleigh F. Spalding.

#### OHIO.

William B. Shattuc. Winfield S. Kerr.  
Jacob H. Bromwell. Henry C. Van Voorhis.  
Robert B. Gordon. Joseph J. Gill.  
David Meekison. John Anderson McDowell.  
Walter L. Weaver. Robert W. Taylor.  
James H. Southard. Chas. Dick.  
Stephen R. Morgan. Fremont O. Phillips.  
Charles H. Grosvenor. Theo. E. Burton.  
James A. Norton.

#### OREGON.

Malcolm A. Moody.

#### PENNSYLVANIA.

Galusha A. Grow. Horace B. Packer.  
Henry H. Bingham. Rufus K. Polk.  
Robert Adams, jr. Thaddeus M. Mahon.  
James R. Young. Edward D. Ziegler.  
Thomas S. Butler. Joseph E. Thropp.  
Irving P. Wanger. Summers M. Jack.  
Laird H. Barber. John Dalzell.  
Henry D. Green. William H. Graham.  
Marriott Brosius. Ernest F. Acheson.  
William Connell. Joseph B. Showalter.  
James W. Ryan. Athelston Gaston.  
Marlin E. Olmsted. Joseph C. Sibley.  
Charles Frederick Wright. James K. P. Hall.

#### RHODE ISLAND.

Melville Bull. Adin B. Capron.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA.

William Elliott. Asbury C. Latimer.  
W. Jasper Talbert. J. William Stokes.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA.

Robert J. Gamble. Charles H. Burke.

#### TENNESSEE.

Walter P. Brownlow. John W. Gaines.  
Henry R. Gibson. Nicholas N. Cox.  
John A. Moon. Thetus W. Sims.  
Charles E. Snodgrass. Rice A. Pierce.  
James D. Richardson. Edward W. Carmack.

#### TEXAS.

Thomas H. Ball. Samuel W. T. Lanham.  
Sam Bronson Cooper. Albert S. Burleson.  
R. C. De Graffenreid. R. B. Hawley.  
John L. Sheppard. Rudolph Kleberg.  
Joseph W. Bailey. James L. Slayden.  
Robert E. Burke. John H. Stephens.  
Robert L. Henry.

#### UTAH.

William H. King.

#### VERMONT.

William W. Grout.

#### VIRGINIA.

William A. Jones. James Hay.  
Richard A. Wise. John F. Rixey.  
John Lamb. William F. Rhea.  
Claude A. Swanson. Julian M. Quarles.  
Peter J. Otey.



## WASHINGTON.

Wesley L. Jones.

## WEST VIRGINIA.

Blackburn B. Dovener.  
Alston G. Dayton.David E. Johnston.  
Romeo H. Freer.

## WISCONSIN.

Henry A. Cooper.  
Joseph W. Babcock.  
Theobald Otjen.  
Samuel S. Barney.James H. Davidson.  
John J. Esch.  
Edward S. Minor.  
John J. Jenkins.

## WYOMING.

Frank W. Mondell.

The following-named Delegates also responded:

## ARIZONA.

John F. Wilson.

## NEW MEXICO.

Pedro Perea.

The SPEAKER. The call of the roll discloses the presence of 287 members, more than a quorum; and therefore the House is ready to proceed to business.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. PARKINSON, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary inform the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and that the Senate is ready to proceed to business.

*Also resolved*, That a committee consisting of two Senators be appointed to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives to wait on the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum of each House is assembled and that Congress is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

And that, in accordance with the provisions of the preceding resolution, the President pro tempore of the Senate had appointed Mr. HOAR and Mr. COCKRELL as such committee on the part of the Senate.

## SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS-ELECT.

Mr. HEPBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of privilege—the swearing in of a member-elect.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the credentials of several members-elect who, the Chair is advised, are present; and after the reading of the credentials these gentlemen will step forward and take the oath of office. The Chair thinks this will expedite business somewhat.

The Clerk read as follows:

The STATE OF IOWA, ss:

To Hon. ALEXANDER McDOWELL,

Clerk of the House of Representatives:

This is to certify that at an election holden on Tuesday, November 6, A. D. 1900, the following-named persons were duly elected Representatives in Congress, to represent the Congressional districts of said State herein set forth, to fill vacancies, to wit:

Walter I. Smith, of Council Bluffs, in the county of Pottawattamie, to succeed Smith McPherson, resigned on the 6th day of June, A. D. 1900.

James P. Conner, of Denison, in the county of Crawford, to succeed JONATHAN P. DOLLIVER, resigned, to take effect on the first Monday of December, A. D. 1900.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the State of Iowa, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1900.

LESLIE M. SHAW.

By the governor:

G. L. DOBSON, Secretary of State.

Mr. BAILEY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I doubt if the credentials just read entitle the holder to be sworn in as member of the House. They recite that Mr. DOLLIVER's resignation was to take effect after this election, and that does not seem possible. I have no desire, however, to interrupt the proceedings at this point.

The Clerk read the credentials of the following-named members-elect:

Edward De V. Morrell, of Pennsylvania, to fill the unexpired term of Hon. Alfred C. Harmer, deceased.

Josiah L. Kerr, of Maryland, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. John Walter Smith.

Allan L. McDermott, of New Jersey, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William D. Daly.

Samuel D. Woods, of California, for the unexpired term of Marion De Vries, resigned.

William Richardson, of Alabama, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. Joseph Wheeler.

Walter O. Hoeffcker, of Delaware, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. John H. Hoeffcker.

Mr. BAILEY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the more I reflect upon it the more I am convinced that the credentials of the gentleman elected to succeed Mr. DOLLIVER are not in a form which can be accepted by the House. The credentials on their face show that this gentleman was elected to fill a vacancy that had not occurred when the election was held, Mr. DOLLIVER's resignation having been tendered to the governor to take effect the first Monday of December. Without any careful examination of the question, my impression is distinct that the courts have held more than once that a resignation to take effect at some future day is not a resignation at all, but merely a notice of an intention to resign.

If that is true, then Mr. DOLLIVER had not resigned his seat as a member of this House when the governor of Iowa ordered that election.

I believe the case I now have in my mind was decided by the supreme court of Indiana, and the court declared that a resignation to take effect at some future day was not a resignation at all in law, but merely a notice of an intention to resign, and that such notice could be withdrawn.

Now, I realize that the district from which this gentleman comes ought not to be without a Representative. I realize that it was the intention of the people of that district that Mr. Conner should succeed Mr. DOLLIVER, lately appointed to the Senate. But so far as this House is concerned, it does not know the day when the appointment of Mr. DOLLIVER to the Senate took effect. Surely the governor of Iowa had no power to appoint him to the Senate to take effect at some future day. His appointment must have taken effect the day it was made, because a vacancy in the representation of Iowa in the Senate existed the day the appointment was made, and the governor had no option as to when his appointment should take effect.

Now, if the governor issued the commission as Senator to Mr. DOLLIVER—I have no personal knowledge of this—but if he did, no matter when it was stated in the commission that the appointment should take effect, that statement was beyond the power of the governor to make; and therefore the appointment, if effective at all, was effective from the day the commission was granted.

Though I regret to press this matter, I am unwilling that this credential shall be accepted by the House as properly and legally entitling the holder of it to membership in this body.

The SPEAKER. This objection being made, Mr. Conner will step aside until the other gentlemen whose credentials have been read are sworn.

Mr. RAY of New York. Mr. Speaker, if it be in order, I desire to ask consent for the swearing in of Albert D. Shaw, who has been elected to this Congress to succeed Charles A. Chickering, who lately represented the Twenty-fourth New York district, and by whose death the vacancy was created. To fill that vacancy Colonel Shaw has been elected by a majority exceeding 11,000. There is no contest, no question over his election. The reason his credentials are not here at this time is that under the laws of the State of New York the State returning board does not assemble until this week, and it will be some days before the credentials are made out in due form. In accordance with the custom of the House in such cases, I ask that Colonel Shaw be sworn in with these other gentlemen.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York [Mr. RAY] asks unanimous consent that his colleague-elect, Mr. Shaw, be sworn in at this time, notwithstanding the fact that his credentials have not been filed. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered. The gentlemen whose credentials have been read, with the exception of Mr. Conner, of Iowa, will step forward to take the oath of office, and also Mr. Shaw, of New York.

The gentlemen named came forward and were duly sworn.

## MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The SPEAKER. The Chair desires to make an announcement, which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read as follows:

Hon. J. P. DOLLIVER having resigned as a member of the House, the Chair appoints Mr. J. W. BABCOCK as a member on the Committee on Ways and Means.

## NOTIFICATIONS TO THE PRESIDENT AND THE SENATE.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I offer for present consideration the resolution which I send to the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That a committee of three members be appointed on the part of the House, to join the committee appointed by the Senate, to wait upon the President and inform him that a quorum of the two Houses has assembled and that Congress is ready to receive any communication he may have to make.

The resolution was adopted; and the Speaker appointed as the committee on the part of the House Mr. PAYNE, Mr. GROSVENOR, and Mr. RICHARDSON of Tennessee.

Mr. BINGHAM offered the following resolution; which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the House inform the Senate that a quorum of the House of Representatives has appeared, and that the House is ready to proceed to business.

## MINORITY REPORT ON SHIPPING SUBSIDY BILL.

Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the report of the minority of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries upon the shipping subsidy bill be reprinted.

There was no objection; and it was ordered accordingly.

Mr. DALZELL (at 12 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m.). I move that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to.

The recess having expired, the House (at 2 o'clock p. m.) resumed its session.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO WAIT UPON THE PRESIDENT.

The committee appointed to wait on the President appeared at the bar of the House.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, the committee appointed by the House, to join a like committee on the part of the Senate, to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum of the House had assembled and was ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to make report that they have performed that duty, and the President informed them that he would immediately communicate a message in writing.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT.

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. PRUDEN, one of his secretaries.

The SPEAKER. The Chair lays before the House a message from the President of the United States, which the Clerk will report.

The message was read at length.

[For message see Senate proceedings for this day.]

At the conclusion of the reading of the message there was general applause.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the President's message and the accompanying documents be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York moves that the President's message, with the accompanying documents, be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

The motion was agreed to.

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*Resolved*, That the Secretary communicate a copy of these resolutions to the House of Representatives.

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased the Senate do now adjourn.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted as follows: To Mr. REEVES, indefinitely, on account of sickness in his family.

To Mr. BARTLETT, for to-day, on account of important business.

To Mr. CAMPBELL, for ten days, on account of important business.

To Mr. CUSHMAN, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

To Mr. RIORDAN, indefinitely, on account of sickness in his family.

## LEAVE TO WITHDRAW PAPERS.

By unanimous consent, on motion of Mr. OVERSTREET, leave was granted to withdraw from the files of the House, without leaving copies, the papers in the case of Edward G. Fugate, Fifty-fifth Congress, no adverse report having been made thereon.

## REPRINT OF REPORTS ON SHIPPING SUBSIDY BILL.

Mr. GILBERT. Mr. Speaker, I desire to amend the motion that was made by the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. FITZGERALD] just before the recess this morning. He moved, as you will remember, that the minority report of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries on House bill 64 be reprinted. I desire to remind the House that there are two minority reports, and I want to so amend the motion that both of these minority reports shall be included in the motion, and be reprinted.

Mr. GROSVENOR. Mr. Speaker, I hope the gentleman will allow that motion to lie over until to-morrow. I should like to look into the matter of the present condition of those reports, and also to see what is left, if anything, of the copies of the bill and of the majority report.

Mr. GILBERT. I have no objection.

Mr. GROSVENOR. If the gentleman will wait, I will confer with him to-morrow in regard to it.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will state to the gentleman from Ohio that the House has already given consent, on the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. FITZGERALD], to the reprinting of one of the minority reports.

Mr. GROSVENOR. I wish the gentleman would withdraw that also. I think it would be better that all the reprinting be done at one time.

Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I would say to the gentleman from Ohio that there is not a single copy of the minority report to be had.

Mr. GILBERT. Neither one of them.

Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts. They are not to be found, either in the document room of the House or on the Senate side; and inasmuch as it is stated that the Senate will take up this bill to-morrow, and as the minority of the Senate have not submitted any report, I hardly feel like withdrawing my request, which has been already granted.

Mr. McCLELLAN. Are there not two minority reports?

Mr. GILBERT. There are.

Mr. GROSVENOR. It will only delay the printing one day. We are not generally anxious to print documents for the benefit of the Senate. By to-morrow I will confer with both gentlemen, and we will agree on what ought to be done about it. I am not opposed to the printing of all that may be required.

Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts. I will say to the gentleman that I have already told members of the Senate that the resolution went through, and that copies of the minority report can be obtained to-morrow. I believe the gentleman must agree with me that as this bill is to be debated, the report ought to be in print so that it can be had by members.

Mr. GROSVENOR. The gentleman took advantage of my absence to secure an agreement which ought not to have been made in my absence. So far as information for the Senate is concerned, the Senate has some power of printing when they want information. I understand, from information I have just received, there are no copies of either one of the reports now available. That being true, it seems to me that an agreement ought to be made as to the number of each one of the reports that should be supplied, and then a resolution asking for the printing offered, and I am entirely ready and willing to have the order made; but I do not think one of the minority reports ought to be printed in the absence of the other reports.

Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts. I have no objection to the gentleman from Ohio having an order made that the majority report be reprinted, and that the two minority reports be reprinted. It seems to me that, while the matter is being investigated and an agreement made as to the number of each of the reports that should be printed, this reprint might go through this afternoon, so that the copies might be available to-morrow. A great many members have asked me for a copy of the minority report, and I have made inquiries in the Clerk's office and found that there is not a single copy available. I do not think that is a situation that ought to be allowed to continue.

Mr. GROSVENOR. That is accounted for by the very great value of the minority report. I think that it is caused also by the interest which has been excited in the subject, and is true of either of the minority reports, and I think it true of the very valuable and able majority report.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the request of the gentleman from Kentucky asking a reprint of part 2 of report 890.

Mr. McCLELLAN. That does not include the minority report signed by three members?

The SPEAKER. Just one. The Chair will state for the information of the House that the majority report is No. 890; then report 890, part 2, is signed by the gentleman from New York [Mr. CHANLER], the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. SMALL], and the gentleman from Louisiana [Mr. RANDELL], and the report 890, part 3, signed by Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts. That gentleman secured the consent of the House this morning to the reprint of his part of the report. The gentleman from Kentucky now asks consent of the House for a reprint of this part of the report.

Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I desire to make a correction. The report is signed by Mr. Daly, Mr. De Vries, and Mr. SPIGHT, with myself, constituting a majority of the minority.

Mr. McCLELLAN. Two of those gentlemen are no longer members of the House.

The SPEAKER. That does not appear in the title; but I see their names are attached to the end. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Kentucky? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

Mr. GROSVENOR. I will not make a request for the reprinting of the majority report now, as that can be printed under another order of the House.

## DEATH OF HON. JOHN H. HOFFECKER.

Mr. BINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. JOHN H. HOFFECKER, a member of this House from the State of Delaware.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to.



## DEATH OF HON. WILLIAM D. DALY.

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. WILLIAM D. DALY, a member of this House from the State of New Jersey.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to.

## DEATH OF HON. JOHN HENRY GEAR.

Mr. HEPBURN. Mr. Speaker, it is my painful duty to announce to the House of Representatives the death of JOHN HENRY GEAR, late a Senator from the State of Iowa, who died in the city of Washington on the 14th day of July last.

Senator GEAR's public career was long and illustrious. It began with Iowa's first political organization. He was perhaps more widely known and beloved than any of her public servants. Regret at his sudden death in the midst of his great career and marked usefulness is everywhere felt in that Commonwealth.

I submit the following resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. JOHN HENRY GEAR, a Senator of the United States from the State of Iowa.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to.

## DEATH OF HON. CUSHMAN K. DAVIS.

Mr. TAWNEY. Mr. Speaker, it becomes my painful duty to officially announce to this House the death of that distinguished statesman, scholar, and accomplished diplomat, Senator CUSHMAN KELLOGG DAVIS, of Minnesota. His death occurred at his home, in St. Paul, Tuesday evening of last week, at about 11 o'clock. For several weeks he struggled heroically against a disease which at last proved too formidable for him to longer resist, and he yielded with a prayer upon his lips for the future glory of his country.

This is not the appropriate time to speak of the illustrious character and distinguished public services of Senator DAVIS. We will hereafter ask the House to devote a portion of its time to the paying of such tributes to his memory as are befitting his remarkable career of public usefulness, not only in the Senate of the United States, but also in the councils and administrative affairs of his adopted State.

His death has occurred at a time when his great ability and learning were most needed and when his country could least afford to lose him.

As a further mark of our esteem for the distinguished dead, I now offer the following resolutions.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Hon. CUSHMAN K. DAVIS, a Senator of the United States from the State of Minnesota.

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the memories of the late Representatives HOFFECKER and DALY and the late Senators GEAR and DAVIS, this House do now adjourn.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the families of the deceased Senators and Representatives herein named.

The resolutions were unanimously agreed to; and accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 23 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned.

## EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, the following executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred by the Speaker as follows:

A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, presenting a detailed statement of expenditures for the Department for the year ending June 30, 1900—to the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Agriculture, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report of contingent expenses of the Department for the year ended June 30, 1900—to the Committee on Expenditures in the Treasury Department, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the chief clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting statement of all judgments rendered for the year ended November 30, 1900—to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of State, transmitting a resolution of the general assembly of Vermont relating to recognition of the services of Capt. Charles E. Clark—to the Committee on Naval Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Sergeant-at-Arms, transmitting a list of property in his charge on December 4, 1900—to the Committee on Accounts, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Sergeant-at-Arms, submitting a report of the several sums drawn and disbursed by him—to the Committee on Accounts, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Chief of Engineers, submitting the report of operations in the new building for the Government Printing Of-

fice—to the Committee on Printing, and ordered to be printed, except photographs.

A letter from the Doorkeeper of the House of Representatives, transmitting an inventory of property under his charge—to the Committee on Accounts, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, submitting a statement of the expenditures for the year ended June 30, 1899, under the appropriations for "International exchanges," "American Ethnology," "National Museum," "Astrophysical Observatory," and "National Zoological Park"—to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Superintendent of Library and Grounds, transmitting a report of his office for the year ending December 4, 1900—to the Committee on the Library, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Attorney-General, transmitting his annual report—to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of George W. Brown against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Matthias App against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Elizabeth J. Hampton against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of George W. Westcott against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of John F. Haupt against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of A. A. Caldwell, administrator of estate of Sarah McCampbell, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of James K. McCurdy, administrator of estate of Samuel McCurdy, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Stanford Guyton, administrator of estate of John Lewis, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Alfred McKinney against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Samuel Worthington, administrator of estate of Samuel Worthington, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Martha L. Dixon against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Solomon Beery against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of W. L. Head, administrator of estate of Francis Hyland, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of Edward S. Nace, administrator of estate of John M. Nace, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of S. S. Faulkner, administrator of estate of John R. Williams, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of William S. Rogers, administrator of estate of James M. Rogers,

against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of William F. Williams, administrator of estate of James Williams, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of J. Clarence Lane, administrator of estate of William L. Knode, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a copy of the findings filed by the court in the case of W. J. Voils, administrator of estate of Anthony Voils, against the United States—to the Committee on War Claims, and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Doorkeeper of the House, transmitting an inventory of property under his charge—to the Committee on Accounts, and ordered to be printed.

A report from the superintendent of the folding room of the House, together with an inventory authorized by Congress May 9, 1900, of all books, maps, pamphlets, etc., remaining in the folding room September 4, 1900—to the Committee on Printing, and ordered to be printed.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XIII, bills and resolutions of the following titles were severally reported from committees, delivered to the Clerk, and referred to the several Calendars therein named, as follows:

Mr. LITTLEFIELD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 8917) to limit the meaning of the word "conspiracy" and also the use of "restraining orders and injunctions" as applied to disputes between employers and employees in the District of Columbia and Territories, or engaged in commerce between the several States, District of Columbia, and Territories, and with foreign nations, reported the same with amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 2007); which said bill and report were referred to the House Calendar.

#### CHANGE OF REFERENCE.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXII, committees were discharged from the consideration of bills of the following titles; which were thereupon referred as follows:

The bill (H. R. 5253) to correct the military record of Alexander Nugent and grant him a discharge—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The bill (H. R. 393) granting an increase of pension to Mrs. Patrick J. Grady—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The bill (H. R. 11658) to place on the pension roll the name of Mary I. Nelson—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The bill (H. R. 8330) granting an increase of pension to R. G. Morris—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The bill (H. R. 7119) removing the charge of desertion from the military record of Edgar B. Willoughby, deceased—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The bill (H. R. 6574) granting a pension to Hiram J. Reamer—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXII, committees were discharged from the consideration of the following petitions; which were thereupon referred as follows:

Petitions of Grand Army of the Republic posts of Shamokin, Pa., Chelsea, Mass., and Orleans, Ind., to accompany House bill No. 7094—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 7579, for the relief of John Holbrook—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 6506, for the relief of Edith L. Sturdy—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 8415, granting an increase of pension to Jesse F. Gates—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers in support of House bill No. 2812, granting a pension to George W. McCinston—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 9382—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 4899—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 10873—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 2813—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 4079—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill No. 6928—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany Senate bill No. 3216—to the Committee on Pensions.

#### PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS INTRODUCED.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BOUTELL of Illinois: A bill (H. R. 12221) to provide for the education of the blind, and so forth—to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. CRUMPACKER: A bill (H. R. 12222) making an apportionment of Representatives in Congress under the Twelfth Census—to the Select Committee on the Census.

By Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts: A bill (H. R. 12223) granting additional pay to soldiers engaged in the Spanish-American war—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HULL: A bill (H. R. 12224) for the reorganization of the Army of the United States, and for other purposes—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. GREENE of Massachusetts: A bill (H. R. 12225) for the establishment of a port of delivery at New Bedford, Mass.—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12226) for the establishment of a port of delivery at Fall River, Mass.—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BULL: A bill (H. R. 12227) to equalize the pay of the officers of the line, Medical and Pay Corps of the Navy with officers of corresponding rank in the Army and Marine Corps—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12228) providing for the retirement of petty officers and enlisted men of the Navy—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. SCUDDER: A bill (H. R. 12229) to fix the compensation of the keepers employed in the Life-Saving Service of the United States—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. SHAFROTH: A bill (H. R. 12230) for the construction of reservoirs in the arid-land States and for the disposal of the public lands reclaimed thereby—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. HAWLEY: A bill (H. R. 12231) authorizing the Secretary of War to secure plans and estimates for a breakwater at Galveston, Tex.—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. LOUD: A bill (H. R. 12231) to amend section 3255 of the Revised Statutes of the United States concerning the distilling of brandy from fruits—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CANNON: A bill (H. R. 12233) in relation to the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the establishment of the permanent seat of government in the District of Columbia—to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. FITZGERALD of Massachusetts: A joint resolution (H. J. Res. 271) sympathizing with the Boer Republics—to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. PAYNE: A resolution (H. Res. 305) relating to the President's message—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

#### PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BALL: A bill (H. R. 12232) for the relief of Hannah Martha Dusenberry—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. BERRY: A bill (H. R. 12233) granting a pension to Ashel C. Aulick—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12234) granting a pension to Joseph Crist—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. CATCHINGS: A bill (H. R. 12235) for the relief of J. C. Williams, administrator of Haller Nutt, deceased—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. CUMMINGS: A bill (H. R. 12236) granting a pension to Safa T. Philip—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12237) granting a pension to Patrick J. Murphy—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12238) for the relief of the widow of Isaiah Smith Hyatt—to the Committee on Patents.

By Mr. EMERSON: A bill (H. R. 12239) granting a pension to Lizana D. Streeter—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.



Also, a bill (H. R. 12240) granting a pension to J. G. Viall—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12241) granting an increase of pension to Franklin Warren—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. GILL: A bill (H. R. 12242) granting an increase of pension to James M. Paul—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12243) to correct the military record of George E. O'Neil—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HAY: A bill (H. R. 12244) to correct the military record of Harrison Wagner—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HENDERSON: A bill (H. R. 12245) granting a pension to Henry A. Jordan—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HITT: A bill (H. R. 12246) granting an increase of pension to Samuel Fish—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. JOHNSTON: A bill (H. R. 12247) to refund and repay to Robert Lilley the sum of \$200—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. McCLELLAN: A bill (H. R. 12248) granting an increase of pension to William B. Crosby—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. OVERSTREET: A bill (H. R. 12249) granting an increase of pension to Gideon Johnson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12250) granting an increase of pension to Patrick Brennan—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RUPPERT: A bill (H. R. 12251) granting an increase of pension to Louisa Wigand—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SHAFROTH: A bill (H. R. 12252) granting an increase of pension to Gideon Wright—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12253) granting an increase of pension to Colin R. Cundey—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12254) granting an increase of pension to John B. Hanna—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SHERMAN: A bill (H. R. 12255) granting an increase of pension to Thomas Milsted—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12256) granting an increase of pension to John W. Bedell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SLAYDEN: A bill (H. R. 12257) for the relief of the heirs of A. T. Hensley—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. STEWART of New Jersey: A bill (H. R. 12258) for the relief of John H. Doremus—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. STEWART of New York: A bill (H. R. 12259) granting an increase of pension to Norman W. Herdman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SULLOWAY: A bill (H. R. 12260) granting an increase of pension to Franklin Follansbee—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12261) granting an increase of pension to John Murphy—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12262) granting an increase of pension to Alonzo F. Page—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12263) granting an increase of pension to Henry Ball—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12264) granting an increase of pension to Sherwood Wesley Goodwin—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12265) granting an increase of pension to George D. Totman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12266) granting an increase of pension to Ransolier Hurd—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12267) granting an increase of pension to Edwin H. Wheeler—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12268) granting an increase of pension to Charles McCartee—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12269) granting an increase of pension to Joshua Smith—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12270) granting an increase of pension to Richard A. Lawrence—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12271) granting an increase of pension to Edwin J. Godfrey—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12272) granting an increase of pension to John C. Towne—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12273) granting an increase of pension to Frederick A. Condon—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12274) granting an increase of pension to Rollins D. Moore—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12275) granting a pension to Francis Roy—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12276) to amend the military record of Joseph McDaniel and grant him an honorable discharge—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. WEAVER: A bill (H. R. 12277) for the removal of the charge of desertion against Lewis Wells—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12278) for the removal of the charge of desertion against Charles S. Gillespie—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 12279) for the removal of the charge of desertion against William Wardel—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. WILSON of New York: A bill (H. R. 12280) granting a pension to Emil Frank—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. GROUT: A bill (H. R. 12282) granting a pension to Frances Helen Lewis—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BULL: A resolution (H. Res. 304) to pay Walter O. Hoffecker amount due him as clerk to the late Representative John H. Hoffecker—to the Committee on Accounts.

#### PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, the following petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By the SPEAKER: Resolutions of W. A. Morse Post, No. 190, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Iowa, in favor of House bill No. 5779, known as the veteran preference measure—to the Committee on Reform in the Civil Service.

Also, petitions of C. W. Snow & Co., of Syracuse, N. Y.; Schotten & Co., of St. Louis, Mo.; Sharp & Dohme, of Baltimore, Md.; Meyers Brothers' Drug Company, of St. Louis, Mo.; Yahr & Lange Drug Company, of Milwaukee, Wis.; and the National Pure Food and Drug Congress, in behalf of the pure-food bill—to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, petition of Hon. J. G. Schurman, president of Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., in favor of the land-grant college bill—to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Also, resolutions of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of New Hartford, Iowa; also, resolutions of Friends' Church, New Providence, Iowa, in favor of provision to prohibit the importation of intoxicating liquors into countries chiefly inhabited by native races—to the Committee on Alcoholic Liquor Traffic.

Also, resolutions of the Presbytery of Dubuque, Iowa, in favor of an amendment to the Constitution against polygamy—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ADAMS: Resolutions of select and common councils of Philadelphia, Pa., and of the Trades League of Philadelphia, and the New Century Club, in favor of legislation transferring the present mint building to the City of Philadelphia—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, petition of the United States Brewers' Association for the repeal of the war tax of \$1 per barrel on beer in the war-revenue act—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of the Philadelphia Board of Trade for such legislation as will strengthen our maritime position—to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. ALLEN of Maine: Petition of Frederick Robie, president of the First National Bank of Portland, Me., and other officers of the various national and savings banks and trust companies of Portland, for the repeal of stamp tax on checks, drafts, etc.—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BABCOCK: Resolutions of John McDermott Post, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Wisconsin, favoring the passage of House bill No. 5779, giving veterans preference in public service—to the Committee on Reform in the Civil Service.

By Mr. BROMWELL: Petition of N. G. Hildreth, of Cincinnati, Ohio, for the repeal of the tax on proprietary medicines—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, resolution of William H. Lytle Post, No. 47, Grand Army of the Republic, of Cincinnati, Ohio, indorsing House bill No. 5779, relating to appointments in the Government service—to the Committee on Reform in the Civil Service.

By Mr. BROSIUS: Petition of 36 citizens of Lancaster County, Pa., for the abolition of the canteen in the Army—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, petition of Irwin B. Lutz, of Denver, Pa., for the repeal of the special tax on proprietary medicines—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BULL: Resolutions of George H. Browne Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Providence, R. I., for the passage of the veterans' preference bill—to the Committee on Reform in the Civil Service.

By Mr. CONNELL: Petition of Charles Lee and 45 other citizens of Carbondale, Pa., for the passage of bills to forbid liquor selling in Army canteens, and the sale of intoxicants, etc., in the Philippines to native races—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. EMERSON: Papers to accompany House bill granting a pension to J. G. Viall—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, affidavit of G. Fitzgerald in relation to the removal of the charge of desertion from the military record of William Brown—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. GRAHAM: Petition of General Thomas A. Rowley Post, No. 495, Department of Pennsylvania, favoring the passage of House bill No. 5779, relating to the appointment of war veterans to the public service—to the Committee on Reform in the Civil Service.

Also, petition of the National Association of Manufacturers, T. C. Search, president, of Cincinnati, Ohio, in favor of various measures for the promotion of American industries and commercial progress with other nations—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HILL: Resolutions of Elias Howe Post, Grand Army of the Republic, Bridgeport, Conn., favoring the passage of House bill No. 5779, the veteran-preference bill—to the Committee on Reform in the Civil Service.

Also, resolution of the Connecticut State Board of Trade, in favor of the Loud bill—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. HITT: Petition of citizens of Orangeville, Ill., favoring the passage of the Grout bill—to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, resolutions of Home Missionary societies and certain churches of Rockford, Freeport, Cedarville, Galena, Dakota, Elizabeth, and Polo, Ill., against the importation and sale of intoxicating liquors in the insular possessions and for the reenactment of the anti-canteen law—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. LACEY: Sixty-two affidavits of settlers and occupants of certain lands in the State of Washington and blue print relating to House bill No. 12124, to authorize the issuance of patents to settlers—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. LITTLEFIELD: Sundry petitions of farmers and others in the State of Maine, urging the passage of the Grout bill and House bill No. 9677, known as the Brosius bill—to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MILLER: Petitions of J. F. Jett, J. Radcliff, and T. Jensen and others in the State of Kansas, favoring the passage of the Grout bill to increase the tax on oleomargarine, etc.—to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. OVERSTREET: Petition of the Mathews Medical Company and 11 other drug companies of Indianapolis, Ind., praying for the repeal of the special tax on proprietary medicines—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, papers to accompany House bill granting a pension to Patrick Brennan—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, papers to accompany House bill granting an increase of pension to Gideon Johnson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SHERMAN: Papers to accompany House bill granting an increase of pension to Thomas Milsted—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SLAYDEN: Paper to accompany House bill for the relief of A. T. Hensley—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. STEWART of New York: Petition of Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor and Epworth League, of Sloansville, N. Y., for the suppression of liquor selling in our new islands and in our Army—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, paper to accompany House bill for the relief of Norman W. Herdman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HENRY C. SMITH: Resolution of the Medina (Mich.) Farmers' Club, favoring the passage of an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting polygamy—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. YOUNG of Pennsylvania: Petition of A. H. Scherzer, of Chicago, Ill., for "the commercial freedom of the United States"—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, petition of the Third Corps of the Army of the Potomac for an appropriation sufficient to complete at an early date the work provided for by the national park act—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, memorial of the Merchants' Exchange and other commercial and industrial bodies of St. Louis, Mo., for the improvement of the Mississippi River—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

## SENATE.

TUESDAY, December 4, 1900.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. W. H. MILBURN, D. D.

LUCIEN BAKER, a Senator from the State of Kansas; MARION BUTLER, a Senator from the State of North Carolina; CLARENCE D. CLARK, a Senator from the State of Wyoming; HENRY C. HANSBROUGH, a Senator from the State of North Dakota; HENRY HEITFELD, a Senator from the State of Idaho, and RICHARD F. PETTIGREW, a Senator from the State of South Dakota, appeared in their seats to-day.

The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

SENATOR FROM IOWA.

Mr. ALLISON. Mr. President, I present the credentials of Hon. Jonathan P. Dolliver, appointed by the governor of Iowa to the place in the Senate made vacant by the death of the late Senator Gear.

The credentials of Jonathan Prentiss Dolliver, appointed by the governor of the State of Iowa to fill the vacancy from that

State in the term ending March 3, 1905, occasioned by the death of Senator John H. Gear, were read and ordered to be filed.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator appointed will present himself at the desk and take the necessary oath.

Mr. Dolliver was escorted to the Vice-President's desk by Mr. ALLISON, and the oath prescribed by law having been administered to him, he took his seat in the Senate.

PARIS EXPOSITION OF 1900.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States; which was read, and referred to the Select Committee on Industrial Expositions, and ordered to be printed:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit herewith, for the information of Congress, copy of a letter from the Commissioner-General of the United States to the Paris Exposition of 1900, of November 17, 1900, giving a detailed statement of the expenditures of the commission for the year ended November 15, 1900.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,

Washington, December 4, 1900.

ISTHMIAN CANAL COMMISSION.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States; which was read, and referred to the Committee on Inter-oceanic Canals, and ordered to be printed:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit herewith, for the information of the Congress, a preliminary report of the Isthmian Canal Commission, dated November 30, 1900.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, December 4, 1900.

Mr. MORGAN. I move that 10,000 extra copies of that report be printed; 6,000 for the use of the House, 3,000 for the use of the Senate, and 1,000 for the use of the commission.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Alabama asks unanimous consent for an order of the Senate that 10,000 extra copies of the report be printed.

Mr. HALE. I have no objection, but the rule—in fact, the law—provides that a motion to print any document, where the printing will cost more than \$500, shall go to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. MORGAN. I do not know, but I suppose that the extra copies would not cost more than \$500.

Mr. HALE. It is a pretty extensive report.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. It is not voluminous at all.

Mr. LODGE. Is not this the preliminary report?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. It is the preliminary report.

Mr. MORGAN. It is the preliminary report.

Mr. LODGE. It is a very short report.

Mr. HALE. Then undoubtedly the cost will be within \$500. I do not object to the motion.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the state of the finances for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1900; which was referred to the Committee on Finance, and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the annual report of the Attorney-General for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1900; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the annual report of the Comptroller of the Currency for the year ended October 31, 1900; which was referred to the Committee on Finance, and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF FISH AND FISHERIES.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate a communication from the Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries, transmitting, in compliance with law, a statement showing expenditures under all appropriations for propagation of food-fishes during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1900, etc.; which, with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, and ordered to be printed.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC PRINTER.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the annual report of the operations of the Government Printing Office for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1900; which was referred to the Committee on Printing, and ordered to be printed.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate a communication from Brig. Gen. John M. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, United States Army, transmitting the report of operations upon the new building for the Government Printing Office for the year